Codebook for General Social Survey 2018 Dataset (GSS2018.csv)

Variable name	Variable label/description
id	respondent identification number
female	biological sex (0=male, 1=female)
age	age of respondent in years
cohort	year of birth
race	race of respondent 1 African-American 2 White 3 Other
latinx	self-identifies as Latinx person (0=no, 1=yes)
ethnic	ethnicity of respondent 1 African-American 2 White 3 Latinx 4 Other
educate	highest year of school completed
childs	number of children
marital	current marital status 1 married 2 widowed 3 divorced or separated 4 never married
fincome	family income in the last year – categorized
pincome	personal income in the last year – categorized
sei	socioeconomic status index
occprest	occupational prestige score
attend	how often do you attend religious services? 0 never 1 less than once a year 2 about once a year 3 several times a year 4 about once a month 5 2-3 times a month 6 nearly every week 7 every week 8 more than once a week

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relig                    religious preference
                          1 Protestant
                          2 Catholic
                          3 Jewish
                          4 Islam
                          5 Other
                          6 None

fund                     theology of one's religious group
                          0 none
                          1 fundamentalist
                          2 moderate
                          3 liberal

partyaff                 political party affiliation
                          1 strong democrat
                          2 not strong democrat
                          3 independent, lean democrat
                          4 independent
                          5 independent, lean republican
                          6 not strong republican
                          7 strong republican

polviews                 consider oneself as liberal or conservative
                          1 extremely liberal
                          2 liberal
                          3 slightly liberal
                          4 moderate
                          5 slightly conservative
                          6 conservative
                          7 extremely conservative

spanking                 agree or disagree that it is sometimes necessary
                         to spank a child (808/2,315 missing)
                          1 strongly agree
                          2 agree
                          3 disagree
                          4 strongly disagree

owngun                   do you have a gun in your home (0=no, 1=yes)

legalmarij               do you support the legalization of marijuana?
                         (0=no, 1=yes) (771/2,315 missing)

cappun                   do you support the death penalty for murder?
                         (0=no, 1=yes)

lifesatis                life satisfaction (higher values indicate greater
                         satisfaction with one's life) (1,154/2,315
                         missing)
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volunteer	how often did you volunteer for charitable organizations in the last year? 　1 never 　2 about once or twice 　3 several times 　4 1-3 times per month 　5 once a week or more
confidence	count variable based on questions about whether one has a "great deal of confidence" in 13 institutions and organizations (e.g., courts, the federal government, medicine, religious organizations, the education system, the press, financial organizations, labor unions, the scientific community)
civliberty	count variable based on questions about a number of free speech activities or library books by controversial speakers or authors that should be allowed (e.g., by communists, racists, etc.)
watchtv	how many hours of television do you watch a day? (782/2,315 missing)